

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 206

By Sexton

A RESOLUTION to recognize Celia Denney as a recipient of the 2014 Prudential Spirit of Community Award.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly is pleased to recognize those estimable citizens of this State, both young and old, who consistently demonstrate a personal commitment to improve the lives and well-being of others; and

WHEREAS, Celia Denney, a senior at Stone Memorial High School, has achieved national recognition for her exemplary volunteer service, garnering a 2014 Prudential Spirit of Community Award; and

WHEREAS, this prestigious award, presented by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, honors young volunteers across America who have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to serving their communities; and

WHEREAS, Celia Denney donated over 500 hours of her time to various volunteer organizations, including Give Kids the World, the Bread of Life, Apple Festival, Operation Christmas Child, Wyndridge, Cedar Lake Camp, and Central Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, as part of her church, Celia Denney served on three mission trips to Peru and five missions trips in the United States; and

WHEREAS, class president all four years of her high school career, Celia Denny is editor of the yearbook; a member of the Beta Club, Interact, Renaissance, and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes; and a volunteer for many Stone Memorial High School events; and

WHEREAS, Celia Denney is an outstanding student and will graduate as a Tennessee scholar with honors, placing twenty-ninth in her class; and

WHEREAS, Celia Denney's generosity and impeccable character surely bode well for her future success as a student at Lee University, where she will study public relations; and

WHEREAS, the success of the State of Tennessee, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of American society depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of young people like Celia Denney who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate and fitting that this legislative body give recognition to and express gratitude for the vitality, altruism, and tremendous determination of young Tennesseans such as Celia Denney, who truly are shining stars on the horizon of our State's future; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby congratulate 2014 Prudential Spirit of Community Award recipient Celia Denney, recognize her outstanding volunteerism in her community, and wish her every success in all her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.